

SAXMUNDHAM URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

ANNUAL REPORT OF
THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH
FOR THE YEAR

1963



To: The Chairman and Members of the Saxmundham Urban
District Council.

Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present to you a Report on the
Health and Sanitary State of the District for the Year 1963.

I have the honour to be, Gentlemen,
Your obedient Servant,

D. W. RYDER RICHARDSON.
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EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS:-

	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE
<u>LIVE BIRTHS:-</u>			
Legitimate	15	6	9
Illegitimate	1	-	1
	<u>16</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>10</u>
Birth Rate: 10.7			
Birth Rate (Illegitimate): 6.7 of total live births			
<u>STILLBIRTHS:-</u>			
Legitimate	1	-	1
Stillbirths per 1000 Live Births <u>60</u>			
<u>TOTAL OF LIVE AND STILLBIRTHS:-</u> 17			
<u>DEATHS:-</u>	30	14	16
Death Rate: <u>20 per 1000</u>			
Deaths from Puerperal Causes			None
Deaths of Infants			None
Deaths from Cancer			4
Deaths from Measles, Whooping Cough, Diarrhoea, under 2 years' old			2

INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

There was a mild outbreak of Measles in the Spring and early Summer, with no deaths. Two cases of Pneumonia occurred; one, notified, recovered; the other found postmortem following sudden death.

WATER SUPPLY.

On the 1st October, 1963 the East Anglian Water Company, Lowestoft, took over the responsibility of supplying water within the district. This takeover followed discussions regarding the purchase by the Company of the Council's undertaking and forms part of a regrouping of water supplies within the area.

SEWERAGE & SEWAGE DISPOSAL.

The Council have instructed Messrs. Binnie and Partners, Artillery Row, Westminster, London, S.W.1., to investigate and report on the adequacy of the sewers and the functioning of the sewage disposal works.

1. HOUSING

(a)	No. of Houses inspected	25
(b)	No. unsatisfactory	12
(c)	No. rendered fit:-	
	(1) Informal	11
	(2) Formal - Public Health Acts	-
	(3) Formal - Housing Acts	-
(d)	No. Demolition Orders secured	-
(e)	No. dwellings included in Clearance Orders secured	-
(f)	No. demolished informally	-
	No. demolished under (d) above	-
	No. demolished under (e) above	-
(g)	No. of dwellings in respect of which or part of which Closing Orders were made (including Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1953)	-
(h)	No. cases of overcrowding known to exist at end of 1962	1
(i)	No. cases of overcrowding relieved during the year	1
(j)	Total No. new houses erected:-	
	(i) by Local Authority	-
	(ii) by Private Enterprise	2
(k)	No. of new houses allocated for slum clearance	-
(l)	No. of new houses in 1963 estimates allocated for slum clearance	-
(m)	No. of Improvement Grants approved during the year:-	
	Standard Grants	4
	Discretionary Grants	2
	No. of Improvement Grants completed during the year:-	
	Standard Grants	2
	Discretionary Grants	2

2. FOOD PREMISES

Number of Food Premises in the area, and type of business:-

Confectioners	5
Grocers	6
Fishmongers	1
Butchers	2
Snack Bars	1
Cafes	1
Greengrocers	3
	19

(a)	No. of premises inspected	11
(b)	No. of inspections made	29
(c)	No. found to be unsatisfactory	2

(d)	No. rendered satisfactory:-	
	(1) Informally	2
	(2) Formally	-
(e)	No. of premises registered under Section 16, Food and Drugs Act, 1955:-	
	(1) Ice Cream - Manufacture	-
	- Storage or Sale only	6
	(2) Sausages, preserved food, etc.	2
(f)	No. of Ice Cream samples taken for bacteriological examination	-
	No. of samples found to be unsatisfactory	-
(g)	No. of licensed slaughter houses	2

3. FOOD INSPECTION

(a) Meat Inspected.

Is 100% inspection being carried out?

Yes

	Cattle excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs
Number killed	307	-	3	343	486
Number inspected	307	-	3	343	486
<u>All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci</u>					
Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	3	-	-	-	1
Percentage of the number in- spected affected with disease other than tuberculosis and cysticerci97	-	-	-	.21
<u>Tuberculosis only:-</u>					
Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	7
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	1.44
<u>Cysticercosis</u>					
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses submitted to treat- ment by refrigeration	-	-	-	-	-
Generally and totally condemned	-	-	-	-	-
Brief Analysis of "Other Causes":-					
Parasitic, Abscesses.					

3. FOOD INSPECTION (Contd.)

(b) Method of Disposal of Condemned Food:-

Meat: Suffolk Fat & Bone Co.

Other Foods: Refuse Tip (buried).

4. PUBLIC HEALTH (General)

Moveable Dwellings.

No. of site licenses - No. of Individual Licenses	3
No. of Inspections during the year (a) Sites	3
(b) Dwellings	-
No. of contraventions remedied	-

Rats and Mice Destruction

No. of premises treated: (a) Dwellings	79
(b) Other premises	15

Disinfection, etc.

No. of premises disinfected	-
No. of premises disinfested	-

Refuse Collection and Disposal.

Frequency of collection	Weekly
Method of disposal	Refuse tip
Is night soil collection undertaken?	No
Is cesspool emptying undertaken?	No

Water Supply.

No. of water samples taken for:-

Bacteriological examination	12
Chemical examination	-

Drainage, etc.

No. of new sewer connections made	-
No. of conversions to W.C. (Public Health Act, 1936, Section 47)	-

Shops Act, 1950 (Section 38).

Number of shops inspected	16
Contravention found	-
Contravention remedied	-

6. FACTORIES ACTS, 1937 TO 1959.

(a) INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors).

Premises (1)	Number on Register (2)	Number of		
		Inspections (3)	Written notices (4)	Occupiers prosecuted (5)
(i) Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities:	3	1	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (1) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority:	21	2	-	-
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises): Building sites and Slaughterhouses.	2	7	-	-
TOTAL	26	10	-	-

(b) Cases in which DEFECTS were found: NIL.

7. OUTWORK (Sections 133 and 134): NIL.



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